



# News Brief

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## **US Mine Safety and Health Administration announces results of special impact inspections at 17 mines in December**

**Who:** U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration

**What:** The [Mine Safety and Health Administration](#) announced today that federal inspectors issued 163 citations and five orders during special impact inspections conducted at 10 coal mines and seven metal and nonmetal mines in December 2015.

**Where:** MSHA conducted special impact inspections at mines in Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

**Background:** Monthly impact inspections began in force in April 2010 at mines that merit increased agency attention and enforcement due to their poor compliance history or particular compliance concerns. Since then, MSHA inspectors have conducted 1,081 impact inspections and issued 15,695 citations, 1,299 orders and 57 safeguards.

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**Editor's Note:** MSHA's Monthly Impact Inspection List for December 2015 is [available here](#).

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